

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1        1. (original) A system for protecting buildings or  
2        structures against external influences with wire cables that are  
3        placed under tension over and/or around at least a part of the  
4        building or structure, characterized in that the wire cables are  
5        maintained under tension, and their ends or extensions are anchored  
6        in a clamping body or the like (10) that has a guide (11) that is  
7        shaped such that when the tensile force is increased the reaction  
8        force presented by the clamping body (10) is increased generally  
9        proportionally to the tensile force.

1        2. (original) A system according to claim 1,  
2        characterized in that the guide (11) for the end of the wire cable  
3        (13) and/or for an extension of the cable end has a peripheral  
4        surface that narrows progressively in the direction of the tensile  
5        force and that is preferably conical.

1        3. (currently amended) A system according to claim 1  
2        [[or 2]], characterized in that the material of the inner surface  
3        of the guide (11) of the clamping body (10) is harder than the  
4        material of the end of the wire cable (13) or the material of the  
5        extension of the end.

1           4. (original) A system according to claim 3,  
2 characterized in that the wire cable or its extension is  
3 plastically deformed when relative movement occurs through the  
4 guide (11) in the direction of the tensile force (15).

1           5. (currently amended) A system according to ~~one of~~  
2 ~~claims~~ claim 1 [[to 4]], characterized in that the end of the wire  
3 cable or its extension is divided into a plurality of partial cable  
4 elements that are disposed at mutual acute angles.

1           6. (currently amended) A system according to ~~one of~~  
2 ~~claims~~ 1 to claim 5, characterized in that the guide (11) for the  
3 wire cable or for its extension is comprised of a plurality of  
4 clamping jaws or spring-loaded rolls that are mounted at individual  
5 mutual angles.

1           7. (currently amended) A system according to ~~one of~~  
2 ~~claims~~ claim 1 [[to 6]], characterized in that the extension of the  
3 wire cable is comprised of a strip-like body that preferably is  
4 wound on a roll.

1           8. (currently amended) A system according to ~~one of~~  
2 ~~claims~~ claim 1 [[to 7]], characterized in that the wire cable or  
3 the extension thereof, has a multiple stepwise broadening or a  
4 continuous broadening.

1           9. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims claim 1 [[to 8]], characterized in that different cables  
3 have different reaction forces or different breakage strengths.

1           10. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims claim 1 [[to 9]], characterized in that the wire cables (23)  
3 can be accommodated in/at the facade or roof of the building or  
4 structure, for protective storage.

1           11. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims claim 1 [[to 10]], characterized in that a frame structure  
3 (29, 29') is provided outside the building or structure that offers  
4 an additional facade surface in which the wire cables can be  
5 accommodated, for protective storage.

1           12. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims claim 1 [[to 10]], characterized in that profiles (22)  
3 mounted on or in the facade or roof form cavities in which wire  
4 cables can be accommodated, for protective storage.

1           13. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims claim 1 [[to 12]], characterized in that the clamping body  
3 (10) in which the end of a wire cable (23) or the extension thereof  
4 is held is translationally movably connected to the building or  
5 structure.

1               14. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims claim 1 [[to 13]], characterized in that the wire cables  
3 (23) are connected to profiles (24, 25, 27, 28) that are mounted on  
4 or in the facades or roof and that can be rotated, swung, or moved  
5 translationally.

1               15. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims 1 to claim 14, characterized in that the profiles (24, 25,  
3 27, 28) cause the wire cables (23) to be pulled out of the wire  
4 cable storage places and to be placed under tension, by means of  
5 rotational, swinging, or translational movement of the profiles.

1               16. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims 1 to 15 claim 13, characterized in that the profiles (22,  
3 24, 25, 27, 28) and/or frame structures (29, 29') are essentially  
4 comprised of metal.

1               17. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2 claims claim 1 [[to 16]], characterized in that the wire cables  
3 placed under tension form a net structure.

1           18. (currently amended) A system according to one of  
2       ~~claims 1 to 17~~ claim 14, characterized in that central control  
3       means are provided for the rotational, swinging, or translational  
4       movement of the profiles (24, 25, 27, 28) and/or the frame  
5       structures (29, 29').

1           19. (original) A system according to claim 18,  
2       characterized in that the control means are connected to a warning  
3       system (alarm system).